





is reported that British residents are raising volunteer corps to join the army in South Africa. The daily attacks the American missionaries, charging them with misrepresenting Mexico in their home organs, depicting as barbarous the land where they labor among the heathen and asks why they do not publish articles showing the great progress made here in railways, telegraph, education and manufacturing, but concludes if they did not make the Americans believe Mexico is to be steeped in paganism and barbarism they could not secure funds to maintain their missions. The religious question is at the bottom of the clerical party opposition here to all things American.

#### CONDITIONS ON THE TARTAR.

CAPTAIN MAKES A STATEMENT.

[A. P. EARLY A. M. REPORT.]  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Capt. P. J. Taylor, of the transport Tartar, which returned here from Manila yesterday, makes the following statement concerning the charges of neglect of sick soldiers, and the treatment of Mrs. Collins on the Tartar's previous voyage, when the ship brought home the Kansas volunteers:

"Mrs. Collins was very ill from sickness nearly the entire voyage, and the doctor prescribed champagne. I saw that she got that. As to any kindness being extended to her by other ladies on board I have nothing to say. The stewardess never went near her. The officers of the Kansas regiment, it is true, refused to give up their staterooms to sick men, but they claimed that it was the government's duty to send her home on one of the regular liners, where the accommodations would be better."

"As to the men in the hospital, I do not know much about them. I know nothing of the conduct of military affairs in this regard, but I know that there were a great many of them. Quartermaster Van Voorhees was to blame, for he did not know who was really on board. Men came to the ship at Manila and presented their tickets entitling them to transportation on the Tartar, and I suppose they had to be taken. I presume that the Twenty-first Kansas Regiment could take care of itself, but there was no one in charge of the discharged soldiers."

"Dr. Hoffman, of the Twenty-first, looked after the men in the hospital, and the discharged soldiers had their own stores and cooks, and the only provision made for the sick were the regular hospital diets. The regulations made on the ship for other food were filled. I cannot tell whether the sick got the luxuries intended for them. The officers of the Kansas regiment made complaint at the station, but the complaints, to my mind, were pretexts to avoid paying their subsistence. The majority of them objected to paying \$1.50 a day. I do not know how the hospital was in a filthy condition; it was untidy; there was no one to take care of it."

#### REBELS' PEACE TERMS.

FILIPINO ENVOY'S MISSION.

[A. P. EARLY A. M. REPORT.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A special to the Herald and Advertiser from Philadelphia says:

"If President McKinley will decide on anything like reasonable terms for the surrender of Aguinaldo and the Filipinos under him, and will inform the Filipino congress through us, its representatives in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms within the next month or two, and the war will end."

"Jesup Luigi T. Fernandez, who claims to be one of the special representatives of Aguinaldo and the Filipino congress, made this statement as he was about to take the train for New York. Fernandez, with others—Lucio de Lejara and Julie Francisco Lopez—were appointed at a meeting of the Filipino congress as special representatives to come to this country and if possible have a personal interview with President McKinley. Their mission is principally to ascertain from the President his views regarding the war in the Philippines and if possible to learn from him if he is desirous of allowing Aguinaldo to surrender on the certain terms which they will offer."

"While in Washington the three representatives are to make a canvass of the members of the Senate and House, with the object of learning each member's attitude toward the administration and the Filipino war."

"The three representatives arrived in New York on Christmas eve on the Campania from Liverpool. After reaching New York, Fernandez, who is from Philadelphia on a secret mission, and expects now to join his two colleagues in New York. What he was doing here he refused to say, but he declared that he would make it public at the proper time. The emissaries expect to leave for Washington in time to be there for the opening of Congress after the holidays."

"Fernandez did not hesitate to talk of the Philippines and the war and feeling among the natives."

"The contest in the Philippines has been terrible for some time before I left Hongkong," he said, "but, notwithstanding that, it will continue to the President refuses to see us or declines the terms we shall offer. If he will only decide on anything that could possibly be called reasonable, and will inform the Filipino congress through us, its representatives, in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms and the war will be ended within a month or two."

"Many of the natives, and particularly the army, are not satisfied with Aguinaldo, and it was through their efforts that the Filipino congress, without consulting Aguinaldo, decided on terms and sent him to Manila. The success of the army of the Philippines was won because there was harmony, but since Aguinaldo has been in Manila, and most loved generals killed, the army has not been satisfied with Aguinaldo."

"When I left Hongkong, Aguinaldo was in a small town fourteen miles north of Manila, and the reports that he is constantly running away are not so. The army has no arms or no trouble to get ammunition, and I can name at least two countries that will supply the Filipino congress with arms so long as the war continues."

#### REJOICING AT COLON.

REPORT THIS COUNTRY HAS THE

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

COLON (Columbia), Dec. 29.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] There is rejoicing over the report that the control of the Panama Canal has been secured by an American syndicate. A boom in the price of all local property is anticipated. The United States gunboat commission on board, has arrived at Cartagena. Her commander reports all well.

## WRECKED THE FLYER

### BAD REAR-END COLLISION ON THE UNION PACIFIC.

Express Messenger of the Fast Train Cremated in the Burning of Three of the Cars—Fourteen Persons Injured.

Superintendent Says the Boulder Train Should Have Been on the Side Track Where the Accident Occurred.

Wounded Taken to Hospitals at Denver. Conductor McAllister Goes Crazy. Smashed Evidence of the Terrible Speed.

[A. P. DAY REPORT.]

DENVER, Dec. 29.—The Cheyenne Flyer, on the Union Pacific Railroad, crashed into the Boulder Valley train at Brighton, Colo., at 6 o'clock this morning. One man was killed and fourteen persons injured. Winfield Handelman, express messenger of Denver, was burned to a crisp.

The Boulder Valley train, a Denver little late this morning and as usual stopped at Brighton, which is the junction of the Boulder Valley line and the main line to Cheyenne. The Cheyenne Flyer, Union Pacific train No. 3, also late, Denver late, and coming into Brighton in the early morning dusk, ran into the rear of the Boulder train, telescoping two or three cars and derailling the passenger locomotive. The section gangs from the Denver yards and half a dozen passengers occupied the Boulder train. The mail and baggage car and the smoker of the flyer were burned. Following are the passengers injured:

H. S. HOOKER, Olin, Iowa, head cut badly.

MRS. MARGARET YOUNG, Mansfield, Mo., forehead cut.

G. H. HICKS, banker, Brighton, badly cut and bruised.

F. V. DAVIS, traveling salesman, Denver, head badly cut; back injured; ribs broken.

W. G. POMPKINS, traveling salesman, Kansas City, head badly cut; back injured.

C. H. PAYNE, Laramie, Wyo., head badly cut; right hand mangled.

MRS. MCANNA, Laramie, bruised.

Mrs. Young was in the chair car with six children. None of the children were hurt.

Superintendent Deuel says he cannot understand why the Boulder train was not on the side track as it had twenty minutes to clear the Cheyenne Flyer. The Boulder train consisted of four teen loaded freight cars and a heavy caboose. Engine No. 815, the locomotive hauling the flyer, lies out on the grade, a total wreck, as evidence of how hard the crash was.

The wounded were brought to Denver about noon and taken to hospitals.

Conductor McAllister of the Boulder train was crazed by the accident. He attempted to jump into the burning wreckage and had to be forcibly restrained.

#### A BRAKEMAN'S FORTITUDE.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]

DENVER, Dec. 29.—Remarkable fortitude was shown by Fred Laws, brakeman on the Boulder Valley train. He was making a coupling near the head of the train when the collision occurred. He was thrown down and a wheel ran upon his leg, pinning him down. His cries for help were not heard and he drew a knife from his pocket, cut off his leg and crawled forward under the car. His recovery is doubtful.

#### COLLIDE HEAD-ON.

ANOTHER FATAL SMASH-UP.

[A. P. EARLY A. M. REPORT.]

PALMER LAKE (Columbia), Dec. 29.—A Colorado Midland passenger train, north bound, and a Santa Fé freight train had a head-end collision two miles south of this place. Iremean Edmister ran upon the freight train, killing Engineers Leavitt and Turk and seriously hurt. No passengers were injured. The cause of the collision is not yet known.

#### Blind Man's Self-defense.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.—Franklin B. Livingston, the blind man who, late Christmas night, strangled his wife, Dora Livingston, and on the following day paid a man a dollar to lead him to the Police Station, was discharged from custody today by Judge Stockbridge. The evidence before the coroner's jury showed that Livingston had been attacked in the middle of the night by his wife, and that he choked her to death to save himself.

#### Aged Woman Burned to Death.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Ann Blake, an aged and infirm woman, was burned to death at her home tonight by a fire which started when she fell down a flight of stairs when she fell, the oil saturating her clothes and burning her frightfully before assistance reached her.

#### Philological Students Organize.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—The philological students of this coast met today for the purpose of organization. Every university and college in this State and in Oregon was represented. Prof. E. B. Clapp of Berkeley was elected temporary president, and Prof. Walter Miller of Stanford secretary.

#### Combine Against Tobacco Trust.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—The Examiner says that five independent eastern tobacco factories have combined to fight the tobacco trust, and have made arrangements for an aggressive campaign on this coast. The names of the companies are not given.

#### Had to Undergo Inspection.

PORT TOWNSEND (Wash.), Dec. 29.—The British steamer Bloemfontein arrived this morning, eleven days from Honolulu. She was subjected to a thorough inspection by both United States and State quarantine officers.

#### Dead Highwayman Identified.

SEATTLE, Dec. 29.—The highwayman who was shot and killed here last night while trying to hold up an electric car, was identified today as Oscar Brandt, a sailor.

#### Rain Falls at Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 29.—Rain began falling here at 11 o'clock tonight, and is still falling at midnight. The fog that had prevailed for weeks is gone, and the weather is warmer. The rain was not needed in this vicinity.

#### At New York Hotels.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] H. W. Blackstone is at the Murray Hill.

## LIVELY TIMES FOR KENTUCKY.

REPUBLICAN LEADERS REPLY TO THE GOBELS.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]

FRANKFORT (Ky.), Dec. 29.—Although three days elapse before the assembling of the Legislature, the State capital is already filled with legislative and political leaders. Though some of the anti-Goebel men are fighting hard to bring their forces against Blackburn, as well as against Goebel, the anti-Blackburn movement does not appear to be strong, and unless it can gather strength by means of the tangle over the State contests, Blackburn will win for United States Senator. The anti-Goebel leaders assert with confidence that they have a majority of one in the Senate and in the House, and in both houses there are several members who, though they may vote to seat Goebel and Beckman, will not vote to elect any Republican legislator elected against whom contests are pending.

The address of the Republican leaders in reply to the recent address of the Goebel leaders makes some sensational counter charges. It is signed by Gov. Taylor, Chairman Bartlett, Senator Deane, Congressman Pugh and others, including in the members of the State Central Committee.

The address asserts that under the Goebel election law, the whole election of the Legislature was in the hands of the Goebel element, and that in many counties Democratic officials selected men of mental and moral integrity to represent the Republican party as election officers. The address charges that in Louisville 10,000 Republican voters were intimidated and kept from the polls, owing to the action of the Mayor in issuing proclamations prohibiting the people from assembling at the polls and appointing 24 extra policemen to enforce his order. It intimates and browbeats the freemen of that city.

The Democratic charge that tissue ballots were used in the election is also declared to be a mere subterfuge to throw out Republican votes. The Democratic charge of corruption in the hands of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad is declared only a repetition of a slander worn threadbare in the late campaign. Even were these charges true, which is denied, the address says, such advantages were more than offset by the Democratic corruption fund collected from saloons, poolrooms, gambling houses, breweries and other sources. The address, by way of summary, charges the Goebel Democratic committee and candidates with having inaugurated "a saturnalia of crime, corruption and force, and it cannot be doubted," says the address, "that at least 40,000 votes were looted to the Republican party by these unlawful and outrageous tactics."

Notwithstanding all these alleged abuses, the address recites, a Republican majority was elected, and the patriotic citizens of the commonwealth are urged to frown down the attempt to secure by fraud through the Legislature the repeal of the people's deed should go to others.

#### SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

Day Dispatches Condensed.

At Burlington, Iowa, the building and contents of the Bicklen-Wisener wholesale grocery were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$150,000. The cause of the fire is not yet known. The firemen found no evidence of how hard the crash was.

The London financial settlement has been satisfactory, and the anticipation of numerous failures has not been fulfilled. The failure of principal importance was that of the Alken, and there were three minor failures.

At Philadelphia Thomas Mackellar, senior member of the firm of Mackellar, Smith & Jordan, died at his home yesterday at his home in Germantown, of pneumonia. Mackellar, who was a printer, poet and author, was born in August, 1812. He was the author of numerous books, poems and hymns, among the former, "The American Printer," a treatise on practical printing. He was president of the Typographical Association of the United States, and was a member of other organizations.

Rev. Sylvester Malone, pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of Saints Peter and Paul, Brooklyn, and a member of the board of regents of the University of the City of New York, died yesterday, aged 73 years. He had been in failing health for some time, and took to his bed about three weeks ago.

Charles S. Kennell, former a manufacturer of such doors and blinds, has filed a petition in bankruptcy at New York. His liabilities are \$385,000, of which \$181,875 is unsecured.

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## A SECRET TRIP.

THE CRUISER MONTGOMERY SENT TO LIBERIA.

Various Reports Regarding Her Mission There—A Coaling Station Wanted or a Boundary Dispute.

United States and Great Britain Said to Have Joined Together to Make Such a Demand Upon France.

The Case of Capt. Schufeldt Now in the Hands of Gen. Merritt of the Department of the East for Consideration.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Although the naval officials will make no official statement respecting the cruise of the U.S.S. Montgomery to West Africa, it is admitted that the ship was there in the early fall, returning to her station at Buenos Ayres about the first of November. These dates in themselves may be regarded as sufficient to dispel any impression that the cruise was in any manner connected with the war between the British and the Boers. As to the real objects of the cruise, it is believed the Navy Department has its eye upon a possible coaling station on the west coast.

The Liberian government has always been willing and even anxious that the station on its coast should be kept, if only as a manifestation of the interest of the United States in the colony it created, and to protect it by its moral influence against European aggression.

#### BOUNDARY PROPOSITION.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]

LONDON, Dec. 30.—It has been learned by a representative of the Associated Press that the cruiser Montgomery's visit to Liberia is apparently the result of overtures made to Washington by that republic. Though the British government is in complete ignorance of the purpose of the Montgomery's visit, the establishment of a coaling station in Liberia by the United States is regarded as scarcely probable, as it is asserted that no Liberian port has any facility for the coal, all of them being open and surf-bound.

The Associated Press representative learns, however, that a far more important step is under consideration. It consists in a joint request by the part of the United States and Great Britain to France to define the boundary between the territory she claims and that claimed by Liberia.

#### THEORIZING ON IT.

[A. P. EARLY A. M. REPORT.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

"It developed today that the United States cruiser Montgomery had been on a secret mission to Liberia, Africa, and it is believed, with a view to displaying the American flag in Liberian waters and the location of a site for an American coaling station on the Liberian coast."

"While officials of the Navy Department maintain that the cruise was of an ordinary character, it is significant that it has been kept a profound mystery up to this time, none of the vessels movements having been recorded in the daily bulletin published by the Bureau of Navigation, while during the August, 1912, the vessel was in the Gulf of Guinea, and down the South African coast looking out for American interests."

"It is further regarded as significant that the Montgomery's cruise in Liberian waters was made at a time when reports were in circulation that Great Britain, Germany and Italy had designs on the coast of Liberia, and these were so persistent that Secretary Hay deemed it advisable to make inquiries of the powers named."

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nal, George Spoor, Napa, \$10; Abel P. Hoffman, Los Angeles, \$5; Joseph Richardson, Alameda, \$5; David R. Anthony, Jackson, \$5.

J. W. Cool was appointed postmaster today at Placenta, Yavapai county, Ariz., vice E. C. L. Schaar, resigned.

TALKED ABOUT ALASKA.

[A. P. DAY REPORT.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—After the Cabinet meeting today several members said that the meeting had developed nothing of importance. Much of the time was occupied by Secretary Wilson in discussing the agricultural possibilities of Alaska.

POSTOFFICE—CIVIL SERVICE.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A new postoffice has been established at Equator, Yavapai county, Ariz. Arthur Woods is postmaster.

Civil-service examinations will be held at San Diego, Cal., February 2, for position of pilot in the quartermaster's department at-large of the army.

#### SCHUFELDT'S CHALLENGE.

WAR DEPARTMENT ACCEPTS.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The War Department has accepted the challenge of Capt. R. W. Schufeldt, U.S.A., retired, and has transmitted all the papers referring to the case of the officer to Maj.-Gen. Merritt, commanding the Department of the East at New York for court-martial proceedings.

Several days ago the Adjutant-General, by direction of the Secretary of War, ordered Capt. Schufeldt to place himself within the jurisdiction of the civil courts of Maryland, before which the case of the defendant in divorce proceedings. This order was based on representations of the attorneys of the wife of the officer that he had failed to place himself in the jurisdiction of the court for the payment to his wife of a stated amount of alimony and that he remained outside the jurisdiction of the State court in order to evade process.

Subsequently the officer's counsel informed the War Department that, acting on his advice, Capt. Schufeldt would decline to comply with the order, and would place himself in the jurisdiction of the court. Schufeldt is charged with conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

#### PERFUME FARM.

TO START UP AT MONROVIA.



## GEN. BULLER.

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In the Philippines were also passed. The latter resolutions stated that the war was begun against Spain for the purpose of procuring the liberty of the Cubans, and was now being carried on for purposes of gain.

## SCARE OR A FEINT.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Modder River correspondent of the Times, referring to the scare firing of the Boers, says: "Their nervousness causes much amusement among the British. It is quite certain that half the Boer force is employed watching by day and the other half by night. Probably the consequent weariness, with the scarcity of water and the presence of typhoid, will render the Boer position intolerable. Their present action is due either to a scare or a wish to cover a retirement to Spytfontein."

## GUNS FROM PLYMOUTH.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Daily Mail asserts that several guns have been removed from the forts at Plymouth by night, and that these will be sent to Cape Town.

## CARGOES AND SMUGGLING.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Times has the following, dated December 27, from Lorenzo Marquez: "Cargoes for the Transvaal have dwindled to one-fifth of the average, but large shipments are expected from Europe. In the mean time there are persistent rumors here and in Deon that guns and ammunition are being smuggled through the Boers. A French liner now in the harbor is said to have brought two large guns from Madagascar."

## POINTS FROM PRETORIA.

PRETORIA, Dec. 25.—Gen. Schalkberg reports, under date of December 23, that trains are now running to Colenso, indicating that the Boers have built a connection around Ladysmith. Gen. Cronje reports from the Modder River, December 24, that the Boers captured two British forts at Kuruman, December 17. It is rumored that Gen. Methuen's big naval gun has exploded.

The Transvaal government has promulgated a new gold tax law, by which individuals and companies working their own mines are taxed 30 per cent. out of the output, while mines worked by the government will pay 50 per cent. Suspended mines will pay 30 per cent. on their probable output for the next three months' working. Reducing works will pay 30 per cent. of their net profits. The law is retroactive to October 1 last.

## HEAVY FIRING HEARD.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Clanock reports heavy firing in the direction of Stormberg. It is supposed this is connected with Gen. Gatacre's attempt to make communication with Indwe colonies.

## SITUATION UNCHANGED.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A dispatch received by the War Office, dated Cape Town, Thursday, says there is no change in the situation, and that Gen. Gatacre and French are concerned.

## NOT TO BE STARVED.

PIETERMARITZBURG, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Ladysmith, dated December 25, says: "The Boers have mounted a howitzer on the summit of the hill, replacing the gun captured in the sortie of the rifle brigade. While they watch nightly with a searchlight and bombard the place daily, they show no signs of assaulting the town. They probably think they can starve us out, but we have plenty of provisions. The total casualties since the siege began are 70 men killed and 276 wounded."

## HISTORY AND NATURE.

DISCUSSIONS OF TEACHERS. (A. P. DAY REPORT.) SACRAMENTO, Dec. 29.—The State Teachers' Association met this morning and took up a technical discussion of the teaching of history in the different schools of California. The department of nature study discussed the subject assigned to it, relative to the teaching of nature studies in the Normal Schools with side issues relating to the use of minerals, insect and plant life, and appliances and materials. The association will conclude its deliberations tonight, and go on an excursion to Folsom tomorrow.

## WOMAN PIONEER DEAD.

MEMBER OF MURPHY PARTY. (A. P. DAY REPORT.) SAN JOSE, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Johanna Fitzgerald died at Gilroy last night. She was the last surviving member of the Murphy party which came to California in 1844, being two years before the Donner party. It is commonly claimed here that this was the first party of immigrants to cross the plains and mountains to California.

Mrs. Fitzgerald was an esteemed woman, 88 years of age, and a native of Ireland. Hon. B. D. Murphy, a bank commissioner, is her nephew.

## PORTUGUESE OFFICIALS.

UNIFORMED OF DELAGOA SALE. (A. P. EARLY A.M. REPORT.) NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Luis A. M. P. A. Tiviera, Portuguese Consul-General, said that he had no knowledge of any alleged sale of Delagoa Bay. "But," added Senhor Tiviera, "this does not mean that an agreement may not have been made. I would not be likely to hear of it before the public. It would not be surprising if a treaty had been made or is going to be made."

The Portuguese chargé d'affaires in the United States, Ignacio de Costa Duarte, is at present in this city. He said in an interview that, in his opinion, it would be well for Portugal to dispose of Delagoa Bay and the East African possessions. They had always been a source of trouble and were likely to remain so.

"But it is not credible," said Senhor Duarte, "that any treaty has been made by which Portugal has parted with all her colonial possessions. Any ministry that agreed to such a treaty would not remain in power a minute. If a treaty such as described in the German newspapers had been consummated, there would have been some hints of it published in Portugal to prepare the public mind."

## LAW OF CONTRABAND.

(A. P. DAY REPORT.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The seizure by British warships of several merchant ships carrying cargoes of American goods for Delagoa Bay on the ground that the goods were destined for the Boers, is bringing out the fact that several new contentions on the law of contraband are involved in the case. Thus far the discussion has turned on the point that the consignees were Americans residing in Philadelphia. But it is contended in some official quarters that the first question in the case is as to the consignee, not the consignor. According to this view, the original shipment

might have been in good faith, but as long as the consignment was likely to pass into the hands of the Boers, it was subject to the rules governing contraband of war and could be seized.

It is expected therefore that when the inquiry is prosecuted by Ambassador Choate at London and Consul Hollis at Pretoria, they will have before them not only the facts as to the original consignment but also all of the evidence relating to the bona fides of the consignees.

## LOKAL ANZEIGER ATTACKED.

(A. P. DAY REPORT.) BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The Reichsanzeiger this afternoon publishes the following: "The Lokal Anzeiger continues in spite of the contradiction of the Wolff bureau, to advertise itself with communications regarding the alleged contents of the Anglo-German treaty. We are authorized to declare the statements in question are founded on impudent and clumsy invention."

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The Boer shell fire has been very damaging recently. Friday one shell killed six men and wounded nine. The same missile killed fourteen horses. Another shell missed the Fifth Lancers' lines, slightly wounding six officers. Several shells have fallen close to Gen. White's house, compelling the removal of headquarters to another point.

It is reported that Gen. Joubert is again in command of the Boers here. The military authorities appear confident, but they are very reticent. Boers have been observed moving northward and westward in large numbers.

## WATER CARRIERS THREATENED.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Times today publishes the following dispatch from Chieveley Camp, dated December 24: "Parties of Boers approached today, threatening the water carriers, who are compelled to go some two miles, owing to the scarcity of water. It is reported that the Ladysmith garrison made a sortie Thursday and captured a hill."

## CARTRIDGE BELTS ORDERED.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) WORCESTER (Mass.), Dec. 29.—A manufacturer of cartridge belts in this city received an order from the British government today for 45,000 cartridge belts. It is said that the order is a rush one, and the cartridge belts will be shipped to the Transvaal in lots of several thousand each, as soon as manufactured.

## HIBERNIANS RAISE FUNDS.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—More than four hundred delegates representing forty divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians met in Philadelphia, with a total membership of 20,000, held a secret meeting in Industrial Hall tonight for the purpose of taking action to help the Boers in their war with Great Britain. After the meeting had adjourned, it was announced that the delegates of all divisions had pledged the men of their divisions to contribute \$2.50 toward a fund of \$100,000 to be raised for the purpose of sending a hospital ship to the Boers.

## BOERS' RUSSIAN ALLIES.

GOURKO STARTS FOR PRETORIA. (A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) LONDON, Dec. 30.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The Marseilles correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing the substance of an interview with the Russian general, Gourko, eldest son of the famous Gourko, who is now about to start for Pretoria, says that the Russian officer made the following statement:

"I have been offered the command of a Boer army corp. In my own mind I am absolutely confident of the success of the Boers. You may take my word for it that a technical discussion of the teaching of history in the different schools of California. The department of nature study discussed the subject assigned to it, relative to the teaching of nature studies in the Normal Schools with side issues relating to the use of minerals, insect and plant life, and appliances and materials. The association will conclude its deliberations tonight, and go on an excursion to Folsom tomorrow."

## LADY WILSON'S.

MANY EXCITING ADVENTURES. VISITS VRYBURG AFTER OPENING OF HOSTILITIES. English Woman Now in Comfortable Captivity. With a Bomb-proof Refuge from Bullets at Mafeking. Extraordinary Stories Told of Her by the Burgers—Boers Sick of War.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) MAPEKING, Dec. 24.—[By native runner to Mochudi.] Lady Sarah Wilson is living in a bomb-proof shelter of her own construction under the private residence of Mr. Well. There she is enabled to exist, with some degree of comfort, and if she chooses to spend a part of the time in the house her shelter is close enough to enable her to take cover between the ring of the warning bell and the arrival of the projectile.

The correspondent of the Associated Press in Mafeking to whom she granted an interview, was struck with the fact, on entering her bomb-proof refuge, that she is unquestionably an old campaigner. Even in this noisome, dark hole, dug under the ground she manages to make herself comfortable. She has whisky and soda as well as cigarettes to offer visitors.

Lady Sarah's adventures were exciting, sometimes amusing and often spiced with considerable danger. It was on a Thursday that she left Mafeking. She arrived at Settlogoli Hotel that night. Before morning she was aroused by the rattle of musketry and the sound of guns. It was Capt. Newbitt of the Mashonaland mounted police, now a prisoner in the hands of the Boers, who was fighting desperately, unable to get back or to go forward, but holding the wrecked armored train until the last. As soon as daylight would allow, Lady Sarah placidly rode to the scene of action.

Finding that her presence at Settlogoli exposed her to insults the Boers moved her to Mosuti, where she enjoyed the hospitality of a colonial farmer. By means of heavy bribes, she persuaded natives to carry information to and fro and extraordinary stories regarding her were circulated among the Boers. One was that she was the wife of an English general; another, that she was the granddaughter of the Queen and had come to spy upon the doings of the Boers; and a third that she was the only survivor of Mafeking, having escaped in the guise of a woman.

Lady Sarah visited Vryburg. She was driven there by a young Boer, who passed her off as his sister. She found loyalists, who gave her official dispatches and news. She staid in the hotel all day, and stole out by night to do shopping. On visiting the hospital she found that orders had been

issued, that no one should leave the town. The gallant Boer had to answer some curious questions put by the Landrost before he could get permission for himself and his "sister" to leave. They set out at 4 o'clock in the morning in fear of being recognized and got away safely.

After the Boers discovered that she had been mixed up in dispatch-running, she went to Commandant Snyman's camp with a view of getting back to Mafeking or to Settlogoli. He proposed sending her to Zeerust as prisoner of war, or as an alternative, to release her, if Viljoen were driven up by the British.

At first she refused to ask Col. Raden-Powell to do this, but finally changed her mind. Lady Sarah gathered from her varied experiences among the Boers that they are heartily sick of the war.

## BRITISH REPULSED.

FIGHT AT MOLOPO FORT. (A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) PRETORIA, Dec. 26.—[By way of Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 28.] Commandant Snyman reports as follows from Molopo: "On Monday morning the enemy from Mafeking attacked one of our forts in force with cannon and an armored train, and so persistently that there was fighting right on the walls of the fort. But we have retained our fort. The British loss is reported at fifty-five."

## THE OTHER COMMANDOS REPORT "ALL QUIET."

with the exception of the usual bombardment of Ladysmith.

KAFFIRS LOSE A FIGHT TO THE BURGHERS. COMMANDANT SWART REPORTS A BATTLE A WEEK AGO.

The African Savages Occupied a Strongly-fortified Ridge and Were Well Prepared for Emergencies—Attacking Forces Lost Three Killed and Five Wounded.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) PRETORIA, Dec. 26, via Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 28.—[By South African Cable.] Commandant Swart reports from the laager at Alowynskop, near Zeerust, that he had an engagement Friday, December 24, with Kaffirs in the neighborhood of Deerde Poort. The Kaffirs occupied a strongly-fortified ridge, and were well-prepared for emergencies.

After heavy fighting the burghers captured the Kaffir position, losing three killed and five wounded.

## LOST ONE HORSE.

BRITISH RETIRE UNDER FIRE. (A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) KIMBERLEY, Dec. 22, via Modder River, Dec. 27.—[By South African Cable.] Before dawn today a detachment of the mounted forces, with artillery and light infantry moved out in a westerly direction. The detachment of the mounted forces, with artillery and light infantry moved out in a westerly direction. The detachment of the mounted forces, with artillery and light infantry moved out in a westerly direction.

The British force reconnoitered outposts along the Laazetta ridge, the Boer patrols retiring. Having accomplished this and having discovered Boer reinforcements approaching from Wimbledon ridge, Col. Chamier, with the Royal Artillery, exchanged a dozen shells as soon as the guns could be limbered up. Some 500 Boers poured in a heavy fire from their earthworks, the British finally retiring with the loss of one horse and a few men.

The movement showed that the Boers were still keeping their guns in the vicinity of Kimberley, and are unable to summon reinforcements rapidly. It also showed their proneness to vacate a position immediately when weaker than the opposition force.

## DARK HINTS.

ABOUT IMPORTANT MOVEMENT. GEN. BULLER MAY ATTEMPT TO RELIEVE LADYSMITH.

Possibility of a Desire on His Part to Do Something for His Country Before "Bobs" Bobs Up—London Thinks His Forces Too Weak—Boers Pressing Upon the Garrison.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) LONDON, Dec. 30, 5 a.m.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The latest special dispatches from Chieveley Camp hint darkly at some important movement as imminent. This is interpreted, with some misgivings, to mean that Gen. Buller contemplates a renewal of his attempt to relieve Ladysmith. It is reported by the same dispatches that the Boers have now retired to the north bank of the Tugela, being afraid that the swollen river may bar their retreat. They are also moving their laagers nearer Ladysmith, probably with the intention of putting further pressure on the garrison, which now seems to be suffering pretty heavily from bombardment.

It is difficult, however, to conceive that Gen. Buller would make another frontal attack, especially now that the river is rising, and an additional indication that this is not his purpose is the fact that he has removed his headquarters back to Pietermaritzburg. The Boer movement northward from the Tugela is quite in keeping with the enemy's plan of securing a safe line of retreat. It is known that further artillery is due to arrive for Gen. Buller, but the belief here is that his forces even then will be too weak. He may, however, be animated by a desire to accomplish something before the arrival of Lord Roberts and to satisfy the keenness of his men to retrieve their defeat.

The reported engagement with Kaffirs is very vague, and cannot be explained pending the arrival of later dispatches.

The Earl of Mount Edgcombe, brother-in-law of Lord Lansdowne, says that the British Office would countenance a scheme to enroll volunteers in a sort of preparatory stage, in order to learn drills and the like. The number of members of the House of Commons who have volunteered for the front threaten seriously to reduce the government's majority when Parliament reassembles.

The Rothschilds have donated £2000 to the Buckinghamshire volunteer fund. It is estimated that £200,000 will be contributed privately to volunteer funds throughout the country. Already the fund for the relief of families of soldiers exceeds £500,000.

## BOERS WELL INFORMED.

CONSUL TELLING SECRETS. (A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) LONDON, Dec. 29.—[By Atlantic Cable.] The Times has a dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez, dated December 23, which says:

"The suspicion that the Boer intelligence department is in close touch with

a foreign consulate in Pretoria is confirmed by the fact that the news of the appointment of Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief in South Africa on December 20, indirectly reaching Delagoa Bay from the Transvaal two days later, Suspicion rests upon a consul who is notorious for his Boer sympathy. There is reason to believe that Pretoria is kept well informed with regard to British military movements.

"With reference to the rumors of smuggling contraband, it is significant that Maj. Erasmus of the Free State artillery is here, his arrival being coincident with that of the French liner. Considering the freedom with which the Transvaal secret-service fund is spent, considerable mischief may be done unless cargoes are inspected by British officers who understand foreign bills of lading."

## ROSEBERY'S INQUIRY.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) LONDON, Dec. 30.—Lord Rosebery writes as follows this morning to the Times: "There are disquieting intimations which appear to point to our government having treated food stuffs as contraband of war. As this is a matter of great importance, I venture to address this line to you, in the hope that it may elicit an authoritative statement on the subject."

## POLITICS IN JAPAN.

SPOILSMEN ARE AGITATING. (A. P. NIGHT REPORT.) SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—[Correspondence of the Associated Press from Yokohama, dated December 12, says the plague scare has subsided, only a few cases remaining. The epidemic has been completely obliterated, and replaced by a feeling of insecurity such as has not been known by foreigners since the stormy days of the revolution. The decision has practically abolished the right of self-defense when foreigners are attacked by Japanese. In the appeal pending a reversal of the judgment may be confidently predicted, but the mischief has been done by the destruction of confidence in the working of the new treaties.

In the Japanese political field all is apparently serene. The Diet adjourns from day to day with brief adjournments, and a complete absence of exciting issues. Those behind the scenes, however, predict a speedy overturn of the present government, and the spoils politicians, who are demanding the virtual destruction of the civil service system and the political control of offices.

Financially, Japan has recently passed through somewhat of a panic, illustrating in a curious way the far-reaching influence of the war at the antipodes and also the inability of the nation to adapt itself to the conditions of modern finance. The flurry was occasioned by the export of gold to the amount of some \$5,000,000 (\$4,000,000). The flurry is now, however, practically over, and will not for the strained relations between foreigners and natives, business would be proceeding quietly in the accustomed channels.

## Hernandez Fleeing.

CARACAS, Dec. 29.—The Hernandez revolution can be said to be ended. Hernandez is fleeing with 300 men to the Colombian boundary. The government troops are back at Caracas.

"Watermelon Man" Dead. ELGIN (Ill.), Dec. 29.—J. C. Andrews, the old-time watermelon man of the Haverly Minstrels, died today at the Elgin Hospital, aged 64 years.

## PERSONAL.

Senator A. E. Nutt of San Diego is at the Nadeau. He will return home today after a visit to the China beet fields.

H. W. Patterson, a prominent druggist of Denver, is in the city with his family for a few days. Mrs. Patterson and child will spend the winter at Coronado Beach.

Hancock Johnston, son of Gen. A. S. Johnston, states that the reference in a San Francisco dispatch yesterday to Albert Sidney Johnston as the grandson of the famous Confederate general is erroneous. There is no such grandson.

Lewis G. Stevenson, son of former Vice-President Stevenson, and family, are in the city for the winter, at No. 321 Madison street. Mr. Stevenson was in charge of the Santa Rita copper mines, Santa Rita, Mex., until recently.

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## VENTURA COUNTY.

## HUEENEME'S POSTMASTER DEAD.

VENTURA, Dec. 29.—[Regular Correspondence.] Postmaster M. H. Arnold of Hueeneme died of pneumonia last night at his late home in Hueeneme. He was a veteran of the civil war, and has been a resident of this county for many years. He was the father-in-law of County Superintendent of Schools George L. Sackett. Miss Lizzie Arnold is also very ill with pneumonia.

## VENTURA BREVITIES.

The local parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: George L. Sackett, Past President; Ralph C. C. President; W. A. Graham, First Vice-President; Dan McGuire, Second Vice-President; Ed Reilly, Third Vice-President; Ed M. Hirschfeld, Financial Secretary; Niva de la Guerra, Marshall; John H. Spear, Trustee.

Ventura Camp, No. 3, Sons of Veterans, has elected the following officers: John H. Wagner, Captain; H. Bay Webster, First Lieutenant; A. R. Crawford, Second Lieutenant; L. A. Bell, O. T. Jones and A. W. Browne, Council; Maj. Ed M. Selby officially inspected the camp.

Mrs. John Mears, aged 45 years, died yesterday after an illness of two years at her late home near Santa Paula. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at Santa Paula.

The money drawer of Hoge & Elliot's store, Santa Paula, was robbed Wednesday night of \$80.

The estate of the late Edwin P. Todd has been appraised at \$21,077.34.

## Tricksters Show Their Hands.

[San Francisco Chronicle.] A few days before the assembling of Congress, the wires were burdened with dispatches from Washington to the effect that the administration was intensely eager to have an additional Republican Senator from this State hurried to the national capital to assist it in carrying out its projects.

Since the first Monday of this month there has been a painful silence on the subject, the astute correspondents having learned the lay of the land by watching the treatment accorded Quay by the Senate. Being naturally observant, the gentlemen who get at the inside of Washington affairs soon discovered that there was no great anxiety on the part of Republicans on the eve of a Presidential election to load up the party with men like Quay and the ineffable Burns.

Consequently they ceased sending dispatches calculated to raise the spirits of the tricky California politicians who had hoped that the impression would be created that the Republican party could not survive without Burns, and the boys of the "row" are now telling the unvarnished truth, namely, that every friend of the administration contemplates with dread the effect which the election to the Senate of such a man with such a record would produce.

This is the reason we hear no more about the administration desiring any of the "row" members from California, and it explains why all sorts of frivolous excuses for convening the Legislature in extra session are being put forward. But they are all destined to meet the same reception. The people understand the source of their inspiration and take no stock in them.

There is not a sensible man in the State who does not know that there is no necessity for convening the Legislature, and there is not one decent and intelligent Republican who does not believe that such a course would prove disastrous to the prospects of the party in November next. Under the circumstances, it will be strange indeed if the Southern Pacific succeeds in carrying out its scheme of wrecking the Republican party in order to secure another puppet tool for use at Washington, as it hopes to do by forcing the election of Dan Burns to the Senate.

Funeral of Engineer Johnson. The remains of engineer David Shields Johnson were taken to Redlands yesterday for interment. A special coach was attached to the 8 o'clock train for the benefit of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, their families and friends. On the arrival of the train at Redlands the body was removed to the Masonic Hall, where service was held. Rev. T. W. Williams of this city officiating. The body was laid to rest in the Redlands Cemetery. The Masonic fraternity took charge of the services. Mr. Johnson was a member of the Masons, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Knights of Pythias. He leaves a widow and three children.

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throwing mud all over Roberts, and I did not propose to give that opportunity to those who had already used the charges to besmirch him without giving him a hearing, or even letting him know that any charges had been made. Even his accusers had offered to bury the charges if he would.

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cañons had been greatly improved. The rail-cutting has also been begun in Santa Ynez reserve, and will be actively continued during the winter, at places where it is most needed.

Light rain began falling tonight. It is much welcomed by farmers in the east-

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Gustave Michalitschke, one of the pioneer tobaccoists of that name doing business in this city, was found asphyxiated in his room in a downtown lodging-house today. One of the gas cocks was turned partly one, but an open window showed almost conclusively that death

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The Times offers a reward of \$10 in cash for the apprehension, arrest and evidence which leads to conviction of any person caught stealing copies of The Times from the premises of subscribers.

## THE TIMES-MIRROR COMPANY.

## FILIPINO EMISSARIES.

The statement is made, on the authority of a New York paper, that "three special representatives, or emissaries, of the so-called Filipino Congress are now in this country, and that their mission is to obtain a personal interview with the President, with a view to ascertaining what terms of surrender he is willing to grant to Aguinaldo and the remnants of his rebel army." The spokesman of the Filipino outfit, according to the New York paper, is Jessup Luigi T. Fernandez, and he is quoted as saying that if the President will "decide on anything like reasonable terms for the surrender of Aguinaldo and the Filipinos under him, and will inform the Filipino Congress through us, its representatives in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms within the next month or two, and the war will end. It is further alleged that Jessup Luigi T. Fernandez and his associates propose to make a thorough canvass of the members of both houses of Congress, with the object of "learning each member's attitude toward the administration and the Filipino war."

This information is highly interesting, of course, and the statements made are possibly true. Although the Filipinos have repeatedly been informed as to the terms, and the only terms, upon which their surrender will be accepted, they persist in trying to secure some sort of recognition for their alleged government, and some better terms than unconditional surrender. It will cause little surprise to learn that they are making another effort in this direction. But there is not the least prospect that they will secure the desired recognition from the government or any of its representatives, from the President down.

These Filipino representatives will probably not be accorded even the quasi recognition which would be implied in their arrest and detention as spies or prisoners of war—a course in which our government would be fully justified, under the circumstances. But it is hardly necessary to say that they will not be permitted to make a canvass of the United States Congress for the purpose of ascertaining how that body stands on the Philippine question, or on any other question. This would be carrying out hospitality, tolerance, and forbearance altogether too far. If they should be caught in any such proceeding, they should be, and probably would be, inconspicuously bundled out of the country, bag and baggage. It is not altogether certain that it would not be a good thing to serve them in that way anyhow. But, so long as they behave themselves in a reasonably decent manner, they will probably be allowed to infest the country to their hearts' content.

It is not improbable that the President will consent to give these individuals an interview, if they see fit to ask it as individuals, and not as representatives of the so-called Filipino government—a government which exists only in the disordered imaginations of Aguinaldo and his deluded followers, in Luzon and in Boston. If these men would seek the President merely as individual natives of the Philippines, desirous of giving and receiving current information as to the views and relations of their people and our own, and with the honest object of aiding, so far as in them lies, to bring about a cessation of hostilities at the earliest practicable moment, the President would no doubt receive them kindly, and would impart to them a great amount of information which would be to their advantage.

But it is doubtful if they will seek the President in this conciliatory and sensible spirit. So blinded have their countrymen been by false statements concerning the aims, purposes, methods, and the character of Americans, and so far have they been aided and encouraged by blatherers like Edward Atkinson, W. J. Bryan, and others of their ilk, that they still imagine they can "dicker" with the United States government, through its President or its Congress. They will be speedily undeceived in this matter soon after they reach Washington; and they will be fortunate, indeed, if their awakening be of no sadder a nature than a kindly pointing out of their misconceptions.

The terms which the United States government will grant to the Filipino rebels today are the same terms which would have been granted them at the

beginning of hostilities, and no other—unconditional surrender. When we stated these terms to the Filipino emissaries for the first time, we meant precisely what we said. We mean it now, and our forces are in an even better position than ever before to enforce these terms.

The wisest course for these Filipino agents to pursue is to go back to their own country as soon as possible and to advise their people to surrender unconditionally, lay down their arms, and accept such form of government as the United States is prepared to give them. They will be obliged to do this in the end, and much loss of life would be saved by their submission at once. Under the government which we shall at length establish in the islands, the inhabitants will have a larger measure of individual and civic freedom than they would have under any "independent" government which they could possibly give themselves, if they were at full liberty to make the experiment. The end of the Tagalo rebellion is not far off, in any event. If the rebels were wise, they would end it at once by unconditional submission to our authority.

## EXTRA-SESSION SHENANIGAN.

The Dan Burns push in California is still moving heaven and earth to bring about an extra session of the Legislature, in order that the notorious Mexican colonel may be sent to the United States Senate, and are stooping to the usual low methods of their kind to accomplish that end. Their latest move is to secure the signatures of the Executive Committees of the several Republican County Central Committees of the State to a petition to the Governor calling for an extra session of the Legislature, or at least as many of these committees as can be cajoled, or otherwise influenced, into taking the step.

The plea which is being made among committeemen in this section of the State is that another Senator is absolutely needed in Washington at this juncture in order to defeat the ratification of the Jamaica treaty, and it has been given out that Capt. Daniels of Riverside, who is in Washington laboring against that treaty, has urged the election of another Senator from California for the reason stated above.

Of course, this is all rot of the most miserable sort. The whole scheme has been originated for the sole purpose of securing the election of that creature of the Southern Pacific Railroad, Daniel M. Burns, to represent a great and intelligent people in the Senate of the United States. The claim that Burns, if he were in the United States Senate, would have any force either in aiding or in hindering the cause of the Jamaica treaty, is plain to anyone who knows the character of the man. His help would not be a help, but a hindrance.

As a matter of fact, our interests in Washington are not suffering for the lack of another Senator at Washington, at least for any such Senator as Dan Burns would make. But to discuss this phase of the matter is, in reality, an idle occupation. There is no sincerity and no honesty whatever in this latest reason advanced for the election of a man to succeed the Hon. Stephen M. White. The movement now on foot is merely a sample of the tricky methods of the notorious gang of touts, heeled and political pariahs that are doing their best to destroy the Republican party of California by sending to the Senate a man totally unfit for the office from whatever point he may be viewed. Shall these marplots and conspirators succeed in their efforts to do this detestable thing, good-by to a Republican victory in California in 1900, and for many a long day thereafter.

The Republican committeemen who sign a petition for an extra session of the Legislature at this time will not be representing the people whom they are presumed to represent, but they will be working directly against the great party of which they are, in part, the guardians.

This latest sly trick of Dan Burns and his hangers-on should be given its quietus.

The Fresno Enterprise says truly that "The hubbub talk indulged in by some of the San Francisco dailies about the urgent demand for, and the absolute necessity of, an extra session of the Legislature is all nonsense. The reassembling of that body would accomplish nothing, though contrary advice is issuing from a few ill-meaning sources. The election of Dan Burns would be a crime that California statesmen are not going to commit. Senator Perkins is not in need of Dan Burns' help." This paragraph states the case neatly and succinctly. Should California elect Dan Burns to the United States Senate, the crime of '73 and all the other crimes of record in the criminal history of the world would be outclassed by the crime of 1900.

## THE LAWTON FUND.

The Times is in receipt of a telegram from Maj.-Gen. William R. Shafter, reciting a message received from Adj.-Gen. Corbin at Washington. In transmitting the message Gen. Shafter states that it is earnestly hoped that an organized effort will be made to collect some subscriptions to the Lawton fund in Los Angeles. Gen. Corbin says:

"We have about \$35,000 subscriptions received here and at the various cities where subscription lists are open. It is desired to increase this very considerably, and we hope that the people on the Pacific Coast will make a good showing. Have concluded to keep subscription lists open until the night of January 5, when list of subscribers and money should be sent to Washington."

The Times takes pleasure in laying Gen. Corbin's telegram before the people of Los Angeles, and will gladly receive any further contributions for the fund that may be offered prior to the date named. The people of the Pacific Coast have an undoubted interest in providing liberally for the family of the gallant soldier whose home was in our midst. To his memory we cannot pay too much respect, and to his family we cannot tender too much material support.

The Midwinter Number of The Times, which will be out on January 1, Anno Domini 1900, will be the most perfect and complete issue of a newspaper ever attempted by this office, without exception. This is a broad statement, but we leave this great number itself to bear out what is here said. The growth and development of the beautiful land we love is epitomized in its pages through the camera of the photographer, the pencil of the artist, and the pen of the writer, in a most graphic and telling manner. This will be a notable scheme for educating those abroad as to the natural beauties of Southern California and the splendid achievements of this enterprising and ambitious people. The Midwinter Times is "the limit" in the making of these great issues, and its wide distribution throughout the country cannot but be of great benefit to the State in general, and to the field in which it is published, in particular.

The government in India is said to be expending "nearly two lakhs of rupees daily" for the relief of famine sufferers, and it is estimated that the cost of the relief to the end of March will be "three crores of rupees." We were all aware that the famine—which seems always to be "on" in India—is a serious affair; but who would have supposed it was so expensive?

The San Francisco Chronicle makes the telling point that the election of Dan Burns to the Senate would cost us, at the next election, six Congressmen in the House of Representatives. He will be a brave healer who will say that one Burns in the Senate is worth six gentlemen in the House.

The President's desire to have the White House enlarged and improved is not at all to be wondered at. He is well aware that he will be required to occupy it over five years longer, and he naturally wants to have his family as comfortable as possible during that time.

The editor of the Omaha World-Herald is feeling the "sting of ingratitude" because he was not appointed United States Senator. This is probably the able editor's way of calling the Governor of Nebraska a hornet, centipede or a miserable scorpion.

Col. June Gayle has been elected to Congress from a Kentucky district. There will be breezy times in the halls of the national Legislature, no doubt, when this particular June Gayle begins to blow; but let us hope it will not develop into a blizzard.

And now another war has been declared—that of the Hip Sing Tong against the Suey Sing Tong San Francisco. With all these wars between great and puissant foes, it is evident that the nineteenth century is going out in a carnival of gore.

The attempt to revive the Tichborne case, as indicated in the dispatches, is something that England ought not be compelled to suffer just when she has another engagement on hand, of so much importance.

These Filipino agents who are on their way to Washington are going in the wrong direction. They should go to Boston to find others of their kind—and sympathy.

The streets of the city of Stockton have not been swept for two months. Stockton should be a favorable location for the bubonic plague to get a foothold in.

Los Angeles has judicially decided that Santa Claus is not a nuisance. While this may be so, he is, in some instances, an all-fired bill of expense.

When Mr. Macrum, our late Consul at Pretoria, gets home, he will probably have a job of explaining that will keep him busy for quite a spell.

Great Britain should be thankful that she has something else to engage her attention besides an internal debate regarding the end of the century.

If you haven't practiced writing it "1900" you would better begin doing so at once, or be prepared to do some "cussing" after tomorrow.

The new Police Commission now has hold of the rope. Will it emulate the example of the famous calf?

## FEELING FOR BOERS.

## A MEETING OF SYMPATHIZERS HELD LAST NIGHT.

Stars and Stripes Displayed, but No Evidence of Real American Sentiment Manifested at the Gathering.

Resolutions Adopted Declaring Great Britain the Aggressor in the War Now Being Waged in the Transvaal.

Affair a Success in Numbers and Noise. Sluts at the Administration—Foreign Flags Shown—Tagals Encouraged.

A large American flag hanging at the top of the stage, and a small flag draped over the American flag, indicated the meeting was an American affair. Otherwise, a stranger from the wilds of Missouri would have asked to be shown. The request for the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" failed to evoke a single response, and the crowd applauded.

The meeting last night at Turner Hall to express sympathy with the Boers in their struggle with England was a success as to numbers and noise, and every slur at the administration was cheered to the echo. The stage was occupied by a number of men, who had been chosen as honorary vice-presidents and the Philharmonic Band furnished the music.

E. L. Hutchison, in a characteristic speech, introduced W. A. Spaulding as chairman of the meeting. In taking the chair, Mr. Spaulding characterized the present war in South Africa as a part of the contest now going on all over the world, and he declared, according to the speaker, shall be ruled by themselves, or shall they be ruled by monarchies? "The moth-eaten doctrine of the divine right of kings still obtains in some quarters, and some of the rulers are actually able to exercise the constitutional privilege of peaceably assembling and discussing matters of public import."

The speaker declared that this country was in any danger from monarchial rule, but he declared the growing power of the "monarchies" of the Rhine and the "Marshall Islands." The first-named anthem was rendered by piano and violin, unsupported by a single audible voice, but the German national song was effectively sung with a true Teutonic vigor, and the "Marshall Islands" was chorused with a perfectly gallic fervor.

"I will not ask for space for comment. There is an old saying that you may recognize Hercules if you only see his foot." "God Save Ireland" was also on the programme, but had to be omitted because of the lateness of the hour. Instead of an ad valorem assessment, apparently unable to procure a Filipino flag to drape the platform with, Yours,

LOS ANGELES.

## The Playhouses.

LOS ANGELES THEATRE. Waghal and Kemper's production of "The Winter's Tale" was again presented at this theatre last night, and will be the bill at the matinee.

The production of "Macbeth" will be given, with Louis James in the title role, Mr. Hanford as Macduff, and Miss Kidder in the part of Lady Macbeth. That the production will be a thorough one goes without saying.

## RAISING RAILROAD TAXES.

GOV. PINGREE INSISTS ON ANOTHER BILL.

LANSING (Mich.), Dec. 29.—The House today refused to adopt the Senate's resolution to end the special session today, and voted to adjourn to next Tuesday.

In response to the defeat by the Senate of his taxation amendment, and in lieu thereof, Gov. Pingree today sent to the Legislature a message urging that the special session be called, and that the railroads are now taxed.

It is increased, so that the railroads will pay about \$2,500,000 taxes annually, instead of \$1,000,000 as at present. In another message the Governor recommends that iron and copper mining companies be taxed on their output, instead of on an ad valorem assessment, as at present. In the House the latter message was followed by the introduction of a bill which was defeated last session, designed to increase the specific tax on mining companies nearly three million dollars a year. It was made a special order for next Wednesday.

A message urging submission of the question of municipal ownership of the street railways and other public utilities to the people, was also sent in by the Governor and was referred.

## VENEZUELA TAKING ARMS.

BIG PURCHASE OF RIFLES AT NEW YORK.

(BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.) NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] It is said that an order for 20,000 Mauser rifles and 2,000,000 cartridges has been placed for the government of Venezuela with G. Amsinck & Co. of this city. Payment for munitions is guaranteed.

The shipment of a few weeks ago from this port for the Colombian government of 24,000 rifles and 12,000,000 cartridges, gave the rumors color of truth. The statement made last week by that there were 20,000 Colombian troops a Colombian official was to the effect on the frontier of Venezuela.

## Goldsmith Gave Up.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Lewis A. Goldsmith, assistant cashier of the Port Jervis National Bank of Port Jervis, N. Y., who is alleged to have robbed that institution of \$54,000 November 14 last, and also to have falsified the bank's books, today surrendered himself. Goldsmith was arraigned before a United States Commissioner and waived examination. Bail was fixed at \$10,000, and as he could not furnish a bondsman, Goldsmith went to jail.

## (POLITICAL.) LOVE FEAST FIRST.

## THEN CAME THE SCRAMBLE FOR HONORS.

Republicans of Illinois Gather at the Capital and Listen to Talks from Comptroller Dawes and Other Leaders.

Judge Haney and Richard Yates in the Race to Succeed Tanner as Governor—Cook County is for the First-named.

Senator Kyle Cashed With the Grand Old Party—Trusts Discussed by the American Economic Association at Ithaca, N. Y.

(A. P. DAY REPORT.)

SPRINGFIELD (Ill.) Dec. 29.—The Republican love feast, prior to the meeting of the State Central Committee tonight, was held today at the Capitol. Several thousand Republicans were in attendance. The practical withdrawal of Gov. Tanner as a candidate for renomination last night precipitated an eager scramble for the office of the Republican ticket. Cook county Republicans lined up strongly today for Judge Eldridge G. Haney. The love feast today was presided over by Chairman Charles R. Runkles of the State Central Committee. The candidates announced are Judge Haney and Richard Yates.

Hancock, and Charles S. Works, Rockford, for Attorney-General, and M. O. Williams for State Treasurer.

Senator Cullom, Gov. Tanner and other State officers spoke this afternoon. Charles G. Dawes, Comptroller of the Currency, made a speech which aroused the greatest enthusiasm, and was regarded by many as outlining the policy of the administration on two points—the Philippine policy and the attitude of the Republican party toward trusts.

After comparing the conditions prevailing in 1898 with the present conditions, Mr. Dawes claimed that, as the party had proved itself able to cope with adverse conditions, it would be able to continue in prosperity. Speaking of trusts, Mr. Dawes said it was the duty of the Republican party to take hold of the question energetically and without wavering. It was its duty to conserve public interests. Wherever trusts proved themselves inimical to the public weal, they must be restrained and controlled, and if necessary laws must be passed that would so much encourage active competition as to bring about the destruction of the trusts. Mr. Dawes did not claim all trusts were in restraint of trade, but those that proved to be such should be legislated against.

Rather than have in the hands of any corporation the power to arbitrarily fix the prices of a necessity of life at an arbitrary figure, the people of the United States will eventually and rightfully do one of two things," said Mr. Dawes. "They will enact legislation for the actual protection of the people from the monopolistic control of the government by the distribution of trusts. With nothing less than one of these two things will or should the people of this country be satisfied."

"The question of the proper legislative treatment of these great combinations, formed for the purpose of monopolistic control of production and the distribution of some of the necessities and comforts of life, is one of the greatest and most practical which confronts the political parties of the nation, and our party must take the first steps in its solution."

Mr. Dawes spoke at some length on the Philippine question, asserting that encouragement received from anti-imperialists had much to do with the prolongation of the war. He said that President McKinley had refused to be hurried by the clamor of jingoes before the Spanish war, and so now, he would refuse to be hurried by the clamor in regard to the Philippines by the so-called anti-imperialists.

## POPULISM IS DEAD.

SOUTH DAKOTA FOR MCKINLEY.

(A. P. EARLY A.M. REPORT.) NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A special to the Times from Washington says that Senator Kyle of South Dakota, who has been elected in the Congressional Directory, presumably on his own authority, as an independent in politics, but who repeatedly has voted with the Republicans, has come out in a declaration that will justify the maker of the directory hereafter in classifying him as a Republican in name as well as in fact. He is of line with his former Populist associates and says so.

"Though I am a bimetalist and have been for many years, I am not a victim of twenty-five years," he said. "I would rather take the most undiluted gold standard than to accept bimetalism with the ingredients of radical socialism that are now associated with it."

He does not favor that past of suggested legislation which gives to the Secretary of the Treasury authority to issue bonds at his own discretion, believing that when the people of the United States find it necessary to increase their public debt Congress should be consulted. On the general question of voting for the gold standard he believes in the enactment of a law of a principle which is now generally recognized will affect the country disadvantageously. "We have been practically operating under the gold standard," he said, "for thirty years. We have brought ourselves into harmony with the money system of the world. It is a doubtful proposition whether it is right to disturb values again when by such action we do injustice to the creditor class and at the same time put ourselves out of joint with the rest of the world. In thirty years we have adjusted ourselves to new conditions and in going to bimetalism now we might be committing a second wrong, the demonetization of silver being the first, in order to make a right."

Senator Kyle says that the third-party movement has degenerated into an endorsement of all that is radical and socialistic. The chairman of the Populist party in South Dakota, he says, is a Socialist of the most pronounced type, whose newspaper advocates an entirely new form of government. The Republicans and conservative Democrats who are associated in the independent movement in the past have returned to their former political allegiance, not caring to follow Altgeld, Debs and other agitators.

twice torn down and the red flag of socialism raised in its place. I am in favor of American institutions," added Mr. Kyle, "and I would rather take the Republican party with all in it that is distasteful to me, than be allied with those who have no respect for our flag and who want to tear down our government." On being asked whether or not the independent movement in South Dakota was at an end, the Senator said:

"It is probable that the Socialists, the radical Populists and the radical Democrats will get together and operate under the name of the reform party. In the election last fall there was no organized Democratic party and no Democratic ticket. The name was completely obliterated and yet it was not so very long ago that the Democrats cast 27,000 votes in my State. This campaign party can never win. The present Populist Governor was elected by a bare majority of 300, although previously the Populists had several times secured a majority. In the last election the Republicans, without money and without a struggle, won by nearly seven thousand. In the Presidential campaign of 1900, young South Dakota will go for McKinley from 10,000 to 15,000. The socialistic tendency of the third-party people and the prospective Debs are being enjoyed by the South Dakota farmers have sounded the death knell of the old movement."

## TRUSTS' GOOD POINTS.

OPTIMISTS DISCUSS THEM.

(A. P. EARLY A.M. REPORT.)

ITHACA (N. Y.) Dec. 29.—During the discussion of trusts by the American Economic Association all the speakers thought a general tendency toward combination in the nature of trusts to be inevitable. One of the most interesting papers on the question was read by Prof. Sherman of Johns Hopkins University, which dealt with the influence of trusts in the development of genius.

After expressing the opinion that the tendency toward combinations of capital was natural, and saying that he welcomed it as being but a step in the complete organization of industry, he said:

"The real monopoly element in the trust is the monopoly of genius. Our future economic supremacy will probably depend upon trusts. A wise policy is to increase their possibilities for good, while diminishing their possibilities for evil, through effectual legislation."

Prof. Sherman defined his position as that of a capitalist rather than an optimist.

James B. Dill delivered an address on "Some Tendencies in Recent Combinations which May Become Dangerous." He defined the first danger to be from within, and to lie in "unwise and hysterical legislation against corporations indiscriminately."

## JOHNSTON'S BELIEFS.

OUT FOR A SENATORSHIP.

(A. P. EARLY A.M. REPORT.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Joseph F. Johnston, Governor of Alabama and candidate to succeed John T. Morgan as United States Senator, is now in this city.

The Governor, discussing his candidacy, said last night: "I am standing squarely upon the Chicago platform. The Democrats of my State believe in free silver and Bryan. Before my campaign opened Senator Morgan tried to create new issues and to evade supporting free silver and Bryan. His stand has cost him many votes, and when he took the stump down there he soon found out how the people stood. Our people are opposed to imperialism, but in the next campaign the issues of 1896 will be the main issues. I am confident that I shall be elected."

## BRYAN IN TEXAS.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.)

SAN ANTONIO (Tex.) Dec. 29.—To the largest audience that ever heard a public speaker in a hall in this city, Hon. William J. Bryan spoke tonight on finance, expansion and trusts. He said that the Democratic platform of the coming campaign was imperialism, the distribution of some of the necessities and comforts of life, is one of the greatest and most practical which confronts the political parties of the nation, and our party must take the first steps in its solution."

Mr. Dawes spoke at some length on the Philippine question, asserting that encouragement received from anti-imperialists had much to do with the prolongation of the war. He said that President McKinley had refused to be hurried by the clamor of jingoes before the Spanish war, and so now, he would refuse to be hurried by the clamor in regard to the Philippines by the so-called anti-imperialists.

Rather than have in the hands of any corporation the power to arbitrarily fix the prices of a necessity of life at an arbitrary figure, the people of the United States will eventually and rightfully do one of two things," said Mr. Dawes. "They will enact legislation for the actual protection of the people from the monopolistic control of the government by the distribution of trusts. With nothing less than one of these two things will or should the people of this country be satisfied."

"The question of the proper legislative treatment of these great combinations, formed for the purpose of monopolistic control of production and the distribution of some of the necessities and comforts of life, is one of the greatest and most practical which confronts the political parties of the nation, and our party must take the first steps in its solution."

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"Though I am a bimetalist and have been for many years, I am not a victim of twenty-five years," he said. "I would rather take the most undiluted gold standard than to accept bimetalism with the ingredients of radical socialism that are now associated with it."

He does not favor that past of suggested legislation which gives to the Secretary of the Treasury authority to issue bonds at his own discretion, believing that when the people of the United States find it necessary to increase their public debt Congress should be consulted. On the general question of voting for the gold standard he believes in the enactment of a law of a principle which is now generally recognized will affect the country disadvantageously. "We have been practically operating under the gold standard," he said, "for thirty years. We have brought ourselves into harmony with the money system of the world. It is a doubtful proposition whether it is right to disturb values again when by such action we do injustice to the creditor class and at the same time put ourselves out of joint with the rest of the world. In thirty years we have adjusted ourselves to new conditions and in going to bimetalism now we might be committing a second wrong, the demonetization of silver being the first, in order to make a right."

Senator Kyle says that the third-party movement has degenerated into an endorsement of all that is radical and socialistic. The chairman of the Populist party in South Dakota, he says, is a Socialist of the most pronounced type, whose newspaper advocates an entirely new form of government. The Republicans and conservative Democrats who are associated in the independent movement in the past have returned to their former political allegiance, not caring to follow Altgeld, Debs and other agitators.

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## THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—(Reported by George E. Franklin, Local Forecast Office.) At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 29.96; at 1 p.m., 30.00. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 55 deg. and 54 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 41 per cent.; 1 p.m., 51 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., northeast, velocity 4 miles; 1 p.m., northeast, velocity 4 miles. Maximum temperature, 62 deg.; minimum temperature, 47 deg. Rainfall past twenty-four hours, .04 of an inch; rainfall for season, 2.33 inches. Barometer reduced to sea level.

## DRY BULB TEMPERATURE.

Los Angeles ..... 54 San Francisco ..... 48  
San Diego ..... 56 Portland ..... 28

**Weather Conditions.**—There has been a general fall in pressure since the Missouri River since last report, and an area of low barometer is central off the Washington coast this morning, which is giving cloudy weather south of Cape Mendocino and rain in the Puget Sound country. Fair weather is reported from the California stations, but the State forecast indicates cloudy weather tonight, and probably rain Saturday.

**Forecast.**—Local forecast for Los Angeles and vicinity: Unsettled this afternoon and tonight, with occasional showers; cloudy Saturday, very likely with rain.

**SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.**—Weather conditions and general forecast. The following are the seasonal rainfall to date, as compared with those of same date last season, and rainfall in last twenty-four hours:

Station	Last twenty-four hours	Last four months	Season
Eureka	.42	25.67	10.33
Red Bluff	.06	9.82	3.82
Sacramento	.02	8.29	3.91
San Francisco	Trace	9.67	3.99
Fresno	.02	4.43	1.92
Independence	.01	1.56	
San Luis Obispo	.02	2.29	1.21
Los Angeles	.04	3.28	.20
San Diego	.06	1.32	
Yuma	Trace	.58	1.32

San Francisco data: Maximum temperature, 65 deg.; minimum, 38 deg.; mean, 49 deg.

The pressure has been rapidly along the coast from San Francisco northward. During the past twenty-four hours there has been a fall of three-tenths of an inch or more along the coast from Cape Mendocino to Cape Flattery. Rain has fallen generally over the Coast, and conditions are favorable for more rain, with high southeasterly winds, Saturday. The temperature has risen in the San Joaquin Valley. In the Sacramento Valley the temperature is still about 10 deg. below the normal, but warmer weather will probably prevail Saturday. Southeast storm signals are displayed from San Francisco to Eureka, and advisory messages have been sent to all ports on the southern coast.

**Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours, ending at midnight, December 30:**  
Northern California: Rain Saturday; warmer; fresh southeasterly winds; high off shore.  
Southern California: Rain Saturday; light southerly winds.

Arizona: Cloudy Saturday; probably rain or snow.  
San Francisco and vicinity: Cloudy Saturday; probably rain; warmer; high southeasterly winds.  
Sacramento and vicinity: Rain Saturday; warmer; high southeasterly winds. River will rise Sunday.

**Tide Table.**—For San Pedro:  
Saturday, Dec. 30, 1899. High, 7:12 a.m. 0:36 a.m.  
Low, 8:48 p.m. 2:16 p.m.  
Sunday, " 31, " 9:57 a.m. 1:27 a.m.  
Low, 9:39 p.m. 2:55 p.m.

**The Times' Weather Record.**—Observations made at 1 p.m. and midnight, daily:  
December 29—  
Barometer ..... 29.96  
Thermometer ..... 55  
Humidity ..... 41  
Wind ..... NE 4  
Maximum temperature, past 24 hours ..... 62  
Minimum temperature, past 24 hours ..... 47  
Rainfall past 24 hours, inches ..... .04  
Rainfall for season, inches ..... 2.33

## ALL ALONG THE LINE.

The association packing-house at Asusa began work again on Thursday. San Francisco physicians are treating a case of lockjaw and antitoxin of tetanus.

An increased flow has been noticed in many oil and water wells since the earthquake.

The packing-houses of North Ontario have resumed business, with rapidly-increasing orders.

Wages of employees on all lines operated by the Seattle Electric Company will be raised 10 per cent. on January 1.

The claim adjuster of the Southern Pacific was in North Ontario, on Wednesday, adjusting the claims of those injured in the train wreck at Pomona.

Riverside's shipments of oranges and lemons during a corresponding season last year were only about two-thirds as large as they have been this year to date.

A committee of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce have reported favorably on the proposition of a car ferry for the city, believing the location to be especially good for the raising of vegetables, and "the best in the United States" for particular.

The marble stairway in the Stockton Mall's new three-story building is now finished. The Mall states that every third step has been made thicker than the others, so that the extra wear occasioned by the reporters going down three steps at a time when they leave the office for their meals.

President Buell of the San Joaquin Valley Commercial Association is already busy with arrangements for the proposed eastern lectures on local resources. The Fresno Democrat states that he has conferred with two capable men and with the railroad companies, and that the results obtained are very satisfactory.

The steamer Thyra of the California and Oriental line is due to arrive at San Diego next Monday, carrying 2800 tons of flour from the north. She will complete her cargo at San Diego with about one thousand tons of nails and wire, about fifty tons of general merchandise, and 5000 to 6000 bags of cotton weighing about five hundred and forty pounds each.

On the first day of the Chinese new year, San Francisco will have a new six-column afternoon paper, the Chung Sai Yat Po, the first Chinese daily published anywhere outside the empire. Its title signifies "Chinese and Foreign Daily News." Although printed in Chinese, it will conform as nearly as possible to the idea of the modern metropolitan journal.

The work of extending the government jetty at the mouth of San Diego Harbor will begin in a few days. Delay has been caused by the fact that Mr. Tibbitts of the contracting firm of Healy, Tibbitts & Co., is in Mexico and therefore could not sign the contract. There was talk of advertising for new bids, but the matter was referred to the Judge-Advocate-General, and finally adjusted by the sureties going before a notary public and formally assuming responsibility for the faithful performance of work, without Mr. Tibbitts' signature. The jetty will be about 7200 feet in length when finished.

The pumping plant and pipe line of the Coalinga Water Company, just completed, permanently settles the water question for that town, according to the Fresno Republican.

The pump is a large compound Dow run by steam, with capacity of 80,000 gallons in the twenty-four hours. The water is forced through a three-inch pipe from wells in the plains five miles away, up an altitude of about one thousand feet, but so powerful is the pressure that it comes out at the Coalinga end of the line with a full head. It is chiefly used for drinking, and several operations that have been waiting for it will begin at once.

## WARRING WOODMEN.

## PRIZE FIGHTS AND CHICKEN DISPUTES INVOLVED.

About the juiciest bit of fraternal gossip that has arisen to interest the brothers who delight in grips and pass-words, for many moons, is wafted from the snowy summits of Colorado. It concerns a local camp of Woodmen of the World, but its result may, and is liable to, affect every camp in the jurisdiction and draw into the controversy other secret orders.

Occidental Camp, No. 3, is one of the oldest, largest and most influential in the jurisdiction. Occidental, No. 3, is somewhat sporty. It is also ambitious to make a record for obtaining a large increase of new members.

It happened that about a month ago Occidental, No. 3, gave a smoker for the benefit of its members and invited friends. The objects were twofold. First, to provide amusement for the "neighbors," and, second, to show the invited guests that it was a pleasant thing to ramble in the shades of Woodcraft. Reporters were barred.

Leaves, however, as details have a habit of doing, and when Head Consul Fred A. Falkenburg heard of the doings of Occidental Camp, No. 3, he made a point that he had heard from one end of the Pacific jurisdiction to the other.

And then the Head Consul proceeded to stick the graft deep into the epidermis of Occidental, No. 3. In a letter which fairly bristled with sarcasm, he revoked the charter of the camp, the revocation to take place January 1, 1900, and gave the individual members of the camp until that time to join other camps in the jurisdiction. In delivering his ultimatum Head Consul Falkenburg laid particular stress on two points: First, that the camp had been used to purchase intoxicating liquor for the smoker, contrary to the constitution, and, second, that a brutal prize fight had been held in the lodge-room and under the auspices of the camp.

At first the camp contented itself by alleging that the smoker had been given under the auspices of Occidental Club, "an organization within, but wholly separate, from the camp. Falkenburg, who is something of a bluffer himself, immediately raised by producing an invitation to the aforesaid smoker signed by the officers of the camp, and not in the capacity of officers of the club.

And then the fun began. Falkenburg, as Head Consul, declares there is no appeal from his decision, except to the Head Camp, which will not meet until next August. In the mean time, if the camp should maintain its organization, it would have no connection with the Camp officers. The Auditor would refuse to issue the usual supplies, the Treasurer would refuse to receive the regular assessments, and the camp would practically be without connection with the order.

In his manifesto Mr. Falkenburg intimated that if this had been the lapse of virtue of Occidental, No. 3, he might have been willing to overlook it, but that on a previous occasion when a hand-painted skirt dancer, known as Little Egypt, danced the hootchie-kootchie on a table among the wine glasses for the edification of the camp, he had issued a solemn note of warning.

When the members of Occidental, No. 3, found their prayers and protestations of no avail, they proceeded to carry the war into Africa. First they secured an injunction from the District Court restraining the Head Consul from revoking the charter of the camp. Then they went after the Head Consul himself. It is alleged that the camp, which belongs to the Belongs held a cockfight at one of its smokers, and that at an entertainment given by another camp in the city, the Head Consul presided when a couple of ballet dancers entertained the members, and that neither of the occasions elicited comment from the Head Consul.

The whole matter is complicated by the fact that Occidental Camp, No. 3, occupies a room in the Masonic Temple, and that the Masons object to such entertainments being held there.

[RAILROAD RECORD.]  
**LARGE ORANGE SHIPMENTS.**  
A RED-LETTER DAY FOR THE ORANGE-GROWERS.

Thursday was a surprising one for this early season in orange shipments. A total of eighty-one cars went East, and those cars carry each 368 boxes instead of 236 last year, or the eighty-one cars this year would have made nearly ninety last year. For the very busiest part of the season, 100 cars is good business. The oranges this year are ripening earlier than usual. And the scarcity of other fruit all over the East is making a good demand for the oranges.

The shipments Thursday went as follows: To Atchison, one car; Auburn, Me., one; Boston, six; Buffalo, two; Columbus, O., one; Chicago, fifteen; Cleveland, four; Des Moines, two; Denver, one; Grand Forks, N. D., one; Grant Rapids, two; Harrisburg, one; Kansas City, two; Minneapolis, one; Menominee, Mich., one; Winden, Neb., one; Mansfield, one; New York, twenty-one; Omaha, two; Philadelphia, two; Feoria, one; Providence, two; Pittsburgh, two; Quincy, Ill., one; St. Louis, one; Springfield, Mass., one; Troy, one; Utica, one; Wheeling, one.

A railroad freight man said about the routing: "It is not much guide to the public the destination marked. A very small percentage of those cars will reach the points they are billed for at this end."

Henry R. Duffin, the cut-rate ticket agent, has sold his business to Charles J. Lehman, also heretofore in the same business, who will combine the two. Mr. Duffin has large shipping interests with Cape Nome, Alaska, and will remove to San Francisco, where he can attend to the business better.

**Postoffice Reported Burned.**  
Postoffice Inspector Flint received a telegram from the office of the Divisional Inspector at San Francisco yesterday, informing him that the postoffice at Howard Summit, on the Redondo Railroad nine miles from the city, had been destroyed by fire last night before the office was in a small store at that place and it was reported that the store had been totally consumed. The officials of the Redondo Railroad had heard nothing of the fire last night. Inquiry at the depot here and at Redondo as to the reported fire elicited the information that the crews of the several trains which passed through Howard Summit yesterday had not heard of the fire and saw no evidence of it.

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**"UNCLE" COHN'S DIAMONDS.****STORY OF THEIR DISAPPEARANCE REHEARSED IN COURT.**

Counsel for the Alleged Embezzler, McLean, Made a Strenuous Effort to Have His Day of Reckoning Postponed, but Failed—Preliminary Examination Now Under Way.

The preliminary examination of N. H. McLean for the alleged embezzlement of \$361 worth of jewelry from Pawnbroker L. B. Cohn, was commenced before Justice Morgan yesterday afternoon. A motley crowd of pawnbrokers, gamblers and sure-thing men, interested in one way or another in the fate of McLean, were in attendance. The defense, as had been anticipated, made a play for time, but the court would not consent to a continuance. Attorney Byron L. Oliver, who came into the case at the eleventh hour, as associate counsel for the defense, first moved for a continuance on the ground that he had not had time to familiarize himself with the facts, and was therefore unprepared to do justice to his client. Deputy District Attorney Chambers, for the people, insisted upon immediate procedure, and argued that Oliver's unpreparedness was not a lawful excuse for delay, as the defendant had been ably counseled by D. C. Morrison was present, and still had charge of the defendant's case; he had as much time to get ready for the examination as the people had, and there was no apparent reason why procedure should be postponed.

The court overruled Oliver's motion. Attorney Morrison then presented an affidavit by McLean, reciting that he had been given to understand that the examination would be postponed; that he had not had sufficient time to prepare for his defense, and that he was a witness in the case of John Doe, who was in San Francisco, and had not been subpoenaed. For these reasons and others, he prayed the court for postponement of the hearing.

To the various points raised in this affidavit Horace H. Appel, Esq., special counsel for the people, made vigorous reply. He emphasized particularly the fact that no assurance had been given that the evidence of the material witness, John Doe, would be material; that any effort had been made to secure his attendance, or that he could be found if a subpoena was issued for him.

After a sharp discussion of the points involved, the court denied the motion for a continuance and ordered the examination to proceed. The defendant's counsel asked for a fifteen-minute recess so they could collect their scattered wits; this was granted and after a wait of twenty minutes the battle commenced in earnest.

The first witness was L. B. Cohn, the veteran pawnbroker, who related the circumstances under which he entrusted McLean with what he said was nearly \$1000 worth of jewelry. Cohn stated that McLean had at various times sold goods for him on commission. He knew the defendant's character and therefore was always careful to make him sign a contract which would make him liable for a penalty of \$1000 if he failed to return the goods to him or to return them at a stated time. On this occasion McLean came to him and said he had a customer for certain goods. Cohn said he did not like to deplete his stock as Christmas was near and he had a good chance to sell the goods. After signing the contract he put the goods in a box and went away. That's the last I saw of the goods, except two rings that the detectives recovered when they arrested him.

Cohn then related how he was called by telephone to meet McLean at Third and Spring streets about the time that he should have returned the goods, and what happened after he met him there. McLean told him that he had given the goods to a man named Oliver, who was the manager of the Iowa Loan Company in the Stimson Block, to pawn for a neat sum. He had waited two hours and the man had not returned. He described the man to Cohn and told him to watch while he went into the building to see if he could find the man. Presently he returned and said: "The office is closed and I guess that man has skinned me."

"Mac, you've robbed me and I'll have you arrested unless you return my goods," said Cohn.

"If you do, I'll make it hot for you. If you send me to the penitentiary, I'll draw you along," replied McLean.

On cross-examination the defense tried to get Cohn to admit that he conspired with McLean to dupe somebody with the goods that were entrusted to the defendant; that the goods were not all taken away from the store at the same time; that McLean was accompanied to the store by another man when part of the goods were obtained; and that Cohn purposely put some imitation diamonds in the bill to substitute for real ones. The court would not find a purchaser for. To each of these imputations Cohn entered an emphatic denial. Counsel for the defense also tried to get Cohn to admit that he had been guilty at various times of questionable transactions, through dishonest agents, but the nearest that Cohn would come to an admission of that kind was in substance as follows:

"In the pawnbroking business we come in possession of a great deal of goods that are hard to work off. In order to get rid of this stock we sometimes have to trust respectable people. To protect myself against loss from such agents I consult a lawyer, Mr. Foley, who is now secretary to Gov. Gage, and he drew up a form of contract for me, such as I made McLean sign. I would not trust a man like him otherwise."

Before the cross-examination of Cohn was concluded, Nance O'Neil came in for a little free advertisement. He said that he had sold that \$375 brooch to Nance O'Neil, and that if he returned it you would not have him prosecuted?" inquired Mr. Oliver.

"No, sir. I told him that the brooch was very valuable, and that I must have it back when the time was up, as I could sell it if he couldn't. I told him I would not have him arrested if he had robbed me of only a few hundred dollars worth of goods, but I could not afford to lose nearly a thousand dollars in that way, and therefore would let the law take its course."

Oliver tried in vain to trap the witness into the admission that an imitation diamond brooch, which was in the bill of goods entrusted to McLean was an exact counterpart of the \$375 genuine diamond pin, which was the most valuable article in the collection, and that Cohn was a party to a scheme to dupe a victim whom McLean was sup-

posed to have in view, by working off the imitation instead of the real article. Cohn indignantly denied this, and declared positively that there was no similarity between the two articles mentioned that would make them interchangeable.

Cohn positively identified two rings submitted in evidence as part of the parcel of goods given to McLean in trust. The next and last witness of the day was Frank A. Marcher, a jeweler, who is at present out of business. Marcher testified that McLean met him on the street last Tuesday and asked him if he knew any one who would buy a two-carat diamond. Marcher replied that he might purchase it himself if there was any money in it, and asked to see it. McLean told him he had it at the Office saloon, and they went thither to examine it. After they were seated in a stall McLean produced the stone, and asked \$100 for it. Marcher refused the offer. McLean then excused himself for a few moments, and returned with a second diamond, which had not been removed from its setting, as had the first. Marcher asked what had become of the setting of the larger diamond, and McLean said he preferred to sell it without the setting, which happened to be a ring with a mark showing that it was of Cohn's manufacture. Incidentally McLean asked Marcher whether he had heard about Cohn losing a lot of diamonds, and then went on to relate how Cohn had given them to him to sell, and how he had lost them. Marcher then began to smell a rat, and he bargained with McLean for the two rings, settings and all, for \$125. He said he would go to the bank and get the money, and meet McLean at Third street and Broadway, where the transfer would be made. In view of the fact that the defendant had lied himself to the Police Station to tell the detectives, he met McLean afterward, as per appointment, walked down Hill street with him toward No. 8 engine-house, and told him he believed the rings were stolen property, and he would have nothing to do with them. At that juncture the detectives, who had been put on closed in on McLean and arrested him.

It was nearly 5 o'clock when Marcher concluded his direct testimony. The defense tried to get a continuance till next week, but the court ordered an adjournment till 9 o'clock this morning, when the hearing will be resumed with Marcher's cross-examination.

**IS POLONZENSKY INSANE?****UNIQUE EXCUSE FOR CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON**

Lord Polonzensky, an eccentric Polish Jew, who has alarmed some of his friends by the careless handling of a revolver, was to have been tried before Justice Morgan and a jury yesterday on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon. The trial did not proceed, however, as steps have been taken since Polonzensky's arrest to have his mental condition looked into to see whether or not he is a fit subject for a lunatic asylum. A complaint charging him with insanity was filed with the County Clerk yesterday. Action on the misdemeanor charge was accordingly postponed till January 5.

Polonzensky, who has addressed the following unique letter to Justice Morgan in justification of his possession of a revolver: "I declare the revolver affair as a lawyer. The question is not guilty or not guilty. The revolver is evidence enough. The 32-caliber revolver loaded with five cartridges. Police officers wearing badge 23 took in charge. He asked me if I have a weapon on me. I answered very gently, 'Yes I'll settle the case in court.' The court will take in consideration the revolver was wrapped in a glove. A revolver in my pocket or even in my hand is not a dangerous weapon because I am Boss of my temper, never get excited, always know what I am doing never caused willingly a wound to myself or any other human being. I purchased a revolver from a man named Rock, a very fancy one. An amateur customer may give a dollar benefit; with the dollar I can procure a ball of hay or a sack of seed. I need for my horse. Some times obliged to make a living as a merchant. I am in my lawful right free and frank to buy and sell weapons like all the Los Angeles merchants. I till I can find a farmer to get food and shelter for me and my horse, and the revolver is a good remedy in a case of self-defense. The echoes of a revolver may scare loafers in whose hands a Rock is dangerous. For these reasons Lord Polonzensky begs the court to dismiss this case."

(Signed) "LORD POLONZENSKY."

**BEING CARED FOR.****DOREMUS NOW AT THE GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL.**

Theron A. Doremus, the old man who, in a fit of aberration, left his home at Montclair, N. J., and traveled across the continent to this city, is now being cared for at the Good Samaritan Hospital. G. L. Davidson, Grand Secretary of the Royal Arcanum for the California Jurisdiction, had the infirm old man removed to the hospital yesterday, where Dr. S. M. Spaulding is attending him.

Dr. Spaulding said last night that his patient is becoming more rational. He thinks that the old man's mind was temporarily unbalanced through financial troubles and physical infirmities. He is afflicted with rheumatism, but his condition in this respect is greatly improved.

Up to last night no additional word had been received from the relatives of the old man in New Jersey.

**Thefts Reported.**

Howard Hill, No. 1600 West Twenty-ninth street, reported to the police yesterday the theft from his place of a chicken and a number of valuable chickens.

D. L. Roach, No. 328 New High street, says that his place was entered on Thursday night and a quantity of clothing and furniture stolen.

Edward Jenkins, No. 618½ South Spring street, reported to the police that he was robbed by two young men, who took \$8 and a bank book from his pockets. He did not know where the robbery occurred, but he was too busy reducing the liquor surplus.

R. Klingbell, No. 760 Lyons street, reported that during the past few weeks his residence has been broken into several times, evidently by boys, who carried away a number of small articles. On Thursday someone attempted to enter his barn, but he kept away, leaving behind an iron bar.

**The Edge of a Storm.**

Yesterday's shower was the edge of a storm that has been central off the coast of Lower California. The weather maps for several days have shown a low in that vicinity, but as the high remained stationary in Utah, it was not able to get in from the ocean. The high finally began to move eastward, reducing the resistance to the progress of the cyclone, and the southern end of the State caught the northern edge of the storm. The direction of the wind shows that the center of the storm is south of San Diego.

Another low is indicated off the Oregon coast, but it is not likely to move southward. It is not probable that southern California will get much rain out of the southern storm, and when the wind backs to the westward the storm will cease. Up to midnight .06 inch had fallen.

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**THINKS IT WAS A FARCE.****FOREMAN OF A CORONER'S JURY REGISTERS A KICK.**

Publication of the "open verdict" of the coroner's jury in the case of David Shields Johnson, engineer of the Southern Pacific train wrecked at Pomona last Sunday evening, has brought out a public statement by R. S. Ranson, foreman of the jury, in regard to the manner in which the inquest was conducted. Mr. Ranson, a retired railroad and newspaper man, is at present living at the Hotel Corona. It was he who insisted upon "diligent inquiry" into the cause of Johnson's death, in accordance with the oath administered by the coroner, and he is not at all satisfied that the coroner exercised diligence. In short, he considers the coroner's proceedings in the case as farcical in the extreme, and he avers that his colleagues on the jury were practically to a man of the same opinion.

Foreman Ranson yesterday disclosed some occurrences in the jury room that did not reach the ears of the reporters who attended the inquest. In an interview he said, in substance: "We judged from the line of questioning pursued by the coroner at the outset that he wished to proceed on the basis of the testimony of the railroad engineer, and we determined from the testimony of the limited number of witnesses examined, and when we intimated that we needed more light on the case, we were told that it was our privilege to call for as many additional witnesses or information as we thought necessary. He said that was a question for us to settle among ourselves, but that he did not deem it necessary for us to go into the matter any deeper than we had. When he left us to ourselves to deliberate, we decided to ask for an adjournment until such time as a more thorough inquiry could be had. At the request of my colleagues, I drew up the following:

"To the Coroner of Los Angeles County, Cal.:  
"Witnesses wanted:  
"Fireman of wrecked train.  
"Master mechanic of division on which accident occurred.  
"Foreman of roundhouse.  
"Train dispatcher of division with train sheet, conducted by the accident, and copy of time card, rules and regulations.  
"Roadmaster, or person who had charge of wrecking train."

"We, the jury, implored to examine into the causes leading to the death of David Shields Johnson, respectfully ask that the same witnesses be summoned with papers as mentioned."  
"Three of us signed this and the rest were ready to append their signatures when the coroner and his clerk came into the room and presented us a blank form upon which to write our verdict. We informed him that we had not agreed upon a verdict, and he would not render an intelligent one on such scanty evidence. He suggested that we request more witnesses and then entered upon a long harangue, during which he informed us that it was not our duty to determine the cause of the train wreck, but merely the cause of the victim's death. I told him that the evidence of culpability was so plain that the unfortunate engineer taken out of the wreck was sufficient in that case, and that our work then was soon done. Accordingly we refused to sign a verdict simply reciting that Johnson's death was due to injuries received by the wrecking of the train of which he was engineer."

"This terse verdict was at first not acceptable to the coroner, because he said it would not satisfy public clamor or the demands of the newspapers. We replied that we did not think we had anything to do with public clamor or demands of the press. He suggested that we add to our verdict a clause to the effect that from the testimony heard no showing of criminal carelessness or negligence on the part of the company was made. We could not see our way clear to exoneration of the company of culpability on such slim evidence, and flatly refused to amend our verdict to that effect. The coroner then accepted it, as it was, and we were discharged."

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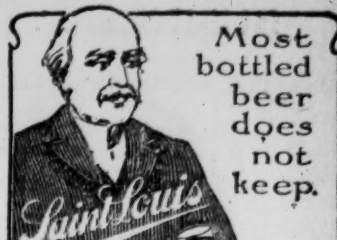
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